

January, 14, 1902.

DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

To-day's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Horace B. Parker, via Boston.
Sch. Ida S. Brooks, via Boston.
Sch. Mary T. Fallon, via Boston.
Sch. Joseph Warren, via Boston.

To-day's Market.

Board of Trade prices: large handline Georges cod, \$4.00 per cwt., medium do., \$3.25; large trawl Georges, \$3.75, medium do., \$3.00; handline cod from deck, caught east of Cape Sable, \$3.75; medium do., \$3.00; large trawl bank cod, \$3.25; medium do., \$2.75 large dory handline cod, \$3.50, medium do., \$3.

Outside sales dory handline bank cod \$3 5-8 per cwt. for large and \$3 1-8 per cwt for medium

Outside sales of Bank cod, \$3.25 per cwt. for large and \$3.05 for mediums.

Newfoundland salt herring, \$3 per bbl.
Bank halibut, 13 cents per lb. for white and 9 cents for gray.

Boston

Jan. 14—Ar. sch. Edith Emery, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod, 1000 hake, 500 pollock.
Sch. Rose Standish, 500 haddock, 12,000 cod.

Haddock, \$3.75; steak cod, \$6.45; large cod, \$4.65; market cod, \$4.15; hake, \$3.85 to \$4.

NAVY NEEDS MEN.

Effort To Be Made to Enlist the Service to Full Limit.

A despatch from Washington says that strenuous efforts are to be exerted by the navy department to enlist the service to the full limit allowed by law, in order to meet the pressure for crews and to fill vacancies on all ships occasioned by the terms of enlistment expiring. The department is to establish additional recruiting stations, aside from those maintained at the navy yards, and proposes to increase the number of men for the navy by at least 500 a month.

THE FRESH FISH BUSINESS.

Committee to City Council Will Invite Co-operation of Manager Livingstone.

The special committee of the city council to look into the matter of having the Boston fish dealers locate here met last night and talked upon the subject. Mr. David B. Smith, representing the Board of Trade, met with the committee. An adjournment was made to next Monday evening, when Mr. Edward J. Livingstone, manager of the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company, will be invited to meet with the committee.

Provincetown Bait News.

A supply of fresh bait is the serious problem at the present time with the Provincetown boat fishermen. Present needs are partially met by the fresh squid which are being picked up along the beaches at Truro and on the back of the cape and which bring readily \$4 to \$5 per barrel. One of the harbor traps recently contained one morning about a half basket or two buckets of fresh squid. Buyers were so numerous that the little modicum of bait was put up at auction. From 50 cents, the starting bid, the price rapidly rose when it was bid off to the successful buyer for \$2 for the lot. As a result of the fresh baiting the boat brought in \$60 worth of fish. Probably this is the highest price ever paid in this section for a fresh supply of bait.

HERRING SCARCE.

Such is the Latest Report from Newfoundland.

Recent dispatches from Newfoundland in regard to frozen herring are not encouraging. Nothing has been heard from Bay of Islands for several days but a dispatch from Fortune Bay last night says that but few herring have been taken the past two days. At Placentia Bay there are but three Gloucester vessels. Herring are very scarce there and the netters are getting very few fish while the seines have made no hauls.

Western Halibut at Boston.

Three carloads of western halibut was received at Boston yesterday, amounting to 70,000 pounds. It sold at 10 cents per pound.

January, 15, 1902.

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Sch. Caviare, shore, 4500 haddock.

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Jan. 15—Ar., sch. Sylvia M. Nunan, 5000 haddock, 1000 hake.

Sch. John M. Kean, 9000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Mertis H. Perry, 1300 cod.

Sch. Acacia, 2000 cod.

Sch. Dictator, 10,000 halibut, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Klondike, 800 cod.

Sch. Allen H. Jones, 18,000 cod.

Sch. Mattie D. Brundage, 2000 haddock, 500 cod.

Sch. Richard Lester, 2000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. David Sherman, 10,000 haddock, 1000 cod.

Sch. Nellie Bly, 6000 haddock, 700 cod.

Haddock, \$3.50 to \$4; large cod, \$3.60 to \$3.75; market cod, \$3.25 to \$3.50; hake, \$3; pollock \$3.50.

ASSURED SUCCESS.

Fish Skinners' Union Will Probably Comprise 500 Men.

Will Not Ask Any Unjust Demands from Employers.

The fish skinners' and cutters' union promises to be the most formidable labor organization in this city, as soon as it gets underway. Since the first meeting last Sunday, great interest has been manifested in all parts of the city, not only among the men now actively engaged in the work, but those who have graduated from that part of the work, and it is expected that the charter membership will number 500. With the men banded together, it is thought that a great good can be accomplished, and the work put on the paying basis it was in this city 10 years ago.

A TIMES representative had a long conference with one of the promoters of the Union yesterday, and received considerable valuable information regarding the objects of the Union. "We do not anticipate any strike," he said, "as we shall not make any unreasonable demands upon the employers, many of whom we think are already in sympathy with our movement. As the manner of the work is now being carried on, in two years time a male fish skinner in this city will not be able to get a living.

"One of the worst oppositions which we have to face is the introduction of female help into the lofts, which is raising havoc with the business. The work which these girls are forced to do, and for which they receive from \$4 to \$8 a week, is work for which they are entirely unfitted, and which they would not do, were they not forced to do it. Boys are also pressed into the service just as soon as they leave school, and as they work for boy's pay, it greatly reduces the wages of the old fish skinners who have been at work at their trade for years.

"There are certain parts of the work," he said, "which the girls can do all right, but there are other portions for which they are entirely unfitted. One of these is running the presses. It is dirty work for a man clothed in oil skins and rubber boots, but for a woman with none of these protections, it is entirely out of place. Women are now also engaged in cutting fish and packing it, and while some of them are smart and can do considerable of a hustle for an hour or so, the strain is too much for them to keep up in the manner which a man could all day.

"Another evil which the union hopes to overcome is the method of paying the fish skinners employed by the piece at the different lofts. As it is now, nearly every firm pays a different price, and the Union will ask that the same prices be paid in all of the lofts. This will tend to make the men hustle all the more, and cause the men at the different lofts to work in unison at all times. There is little chance for a man who is smart to hustle now-a-days, for his envelope will not show on Saturday night the hustle he has made through the week. As one well-known citizen has expressed it, 'It ought to be so that a slow man could make a living, an average man a little more than a living and a smart man enough so that when he gets old he will have a little something to fall back on.'

"A number of the employers say they are agreeable to our demands for an equalizing of pay. They claim that they will receive any fair proposition, as long as the other firms pay the same, for the consumers will then have to pay for the ad-